(*e*) What arrangements have been made if there is no power to so spare;

(*f*) Whether Government are aware that the Davangere Municipal Council have been praying for the electrification of the town for the past several years and that they have furnished the necessary guarantee in this behalf;

(*g*) What all arrangements have been made to electrify Davangere town and what progress has been made so far?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.—

A.—43. (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) (i) The estimated cost is about Rs. 6·7 lakhs.

(ii) Yes.

(*d*) Not at present.

(*e*) Arrangements are being made to instal additional plant at Sivasamudram.

(*f*) Yes. Necessary guarantee has not been furnished.

(*g*) Detailed estimates for distribution are under preparation.

MR. JATHARE NAIK (Minorities).—

Q.—44. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The number of Banajara families in the State;

(*b*) Out of these, how many possess their own lands for cultivation and how many do not;

(*c*) How many cultivate the lands like *shikmidars*;

(*d*) How many are dependent upon others;

(*e*) How many families eke out their livelihood merely by cooly work? (Talukwar details to be furnished).

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—44. (*a*) Information about the number of families is not available. The total population of Banajaras is 61,368 (both Tribal and Hindu) according to the Census of 1931.

(*b*) and (*c*) Precise information is not available. Reference is, however, invited to the Census Report of 1931 which gives the following particulars:—

	No.
(1) Cultivating owners	9,963
(2) Tenant cultivators	3,172
(3) Agricultural labourers	7,181

(*d*) and (*e*) Information is not available.

MR. JATHARE NAIK (Minorities).—

Q.—45. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether with a view to encourage the communities who were very backward in their social, moral, religious, economic, hygienic and political life, the Government did not include Banajaras under depressed classes and help them by granting proper concessions;

(*b*) Are there not touchables and untouchables among them?